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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

SVIESA first published September, 1934. It is self-described as a political, scientific and literary quarterly magazine published by American Lithuanian Workers Literary Association, 110-12 Atlantic Avenue, Richmond Hill, NY. This organization is stated by informants to be made up of Lithuanians sympathetic to the CP and the U.S.S.R. ANTHONY BIMBA, Editor and ROY MIZARA, member of Editorial Board of SVIESA, described by informants as being leading Communist propagandists among the Lithuanians in the United States. Current mailing list consists of 3,013 subscribers located throughout the U.S. Copies also distributed in Canada, South America and U.S.S.R. Excerpts from current issues set out.

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Confidential Informants T-5 and T-11, of known reliability, stated that the leaders of the ALDLD, which published the SVIESA, were generally regarded as being the leaders of the Communist element among the Lithuanians in the United States and that the membership of the various branches of the ALDLD were generally regarded as those Lithuanians in the United States who were favorably inclined toward Communistic principals and the Soviet Union.

T-5 and T-11 both stated that articles appearing in the SVIESA reflect a favorable attitude toward Communist principals and the Soviet Union, to the extent that they regarded this magazine as a Communist publication.

Articles Appearing In The SVIESA

The following are translated excerpts of articles which appeared in current issues of SVIESA:

Issue of January - February - March, 1952

Article: "Attempt to Justify Itself in the Eyes of the Lithuanian National", by A. SILENAS.

This article criticizes the Catholic Church's political role. It is stated that the history of the Church in Lithuania is accompanied by bloodshed and that there is a constant effort among the clergy to unite the causes of nationalism and religion.

(Bishop V. BRIZGYS has written an article entitled "The Lithuanian Nation and Christian Democracy". In this article which is typical of many others written by the clergy, Marxism is the chief target and along with Marxism, Communism. BRIZGYS insists that Communism and democracy are incompatible but since he does nothing to prove his point except quote a few time worn cliches, his arguments are not worth spending time on.